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The Secretary of Defense today authorized the Secretaries of the Navy and the Air Force to terminate the extension of tours of duty and to release those Reservists called to active duty in connection with the Cuban crisis.

The active duty extension for Navy and Marine Corps personnel was ordered by the Secretary of the Navy on October 23. The call-up of 24 Troop Carrier Squadrons from the Air Force Ready Reserve was ordered by the Secretary of the Air Force on October 27.

Approximately 15,000 Naval and 2,000 Marine Corps personnel have been extended as a result of the above order by the Secretary of the Navy. Approximately 14,200 Air Force Reservists were called to active duty. Every effort will be made to expedite the release of these men and return them to their homes as soon as possible.

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